

IFYE COUNTRY REPORTS 2016/17



Your IFYE organisation		
Country	AUSTRIA	
Approx. number of registered members	Approx. 22 members of IFYE Alumni	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	none	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	✓
	30-50	✓
	50-65	
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	Meeting to prepare the outgoings for the exchange AGM for the new founded national IFYE alumni organisation. Orientation for the Incomings in Vienna (two days)	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	IFYE-Outgoing meeting, because it's very nice to get to know the other outgoings and also to meet the IFYE-Alumnis. They speak about their exchanges and experiences.	
What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	This is a well known problem to us that we have not solved yet. We try to work together with Landjugend Austria.	

Current Exchanges

Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)	Incoming		Outgoing		
	England (2x 2 weeks), Canada (6 weeks), Finland (5 weeks and 4 weeks), Norway (3 weeks)		Tasmanian (~ 9 weeks, ~13 weeks and ~4 weeks), Finland (~ 3 weeks and 6 weeks), USA (12 weeks), Northern Ireland (3 weeks), Canada (6 weeks), Colorado (~4 weeks), Norway (~5 weeks), England (4 weeks), Estonia (4 weeks)		
Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?	Switzerland (Because the exchanges prefer English-speaking countries)				
When are applications made and exchanges awarded?	The deadline for the application is till 31st December for the next summer. Applicants are informed in January/February which country they can visit.				
How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
	✓				
Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?	No				
If so, how successful was it?	-				
Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?	Scotland				
<i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i> 	Until we can keep in touch at the national level to our alumni, it's difficult to find a way to mobilize members for the IFYE reunion.				

		Your IFYE organisation	
Country		England/Wales	
Approx. number of registered members		Paid members = approximately 435. Lifetime members = 37	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members		10.00 UKP Sterling per year. All exchangees are given free membership for 2 years after their trip.	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	X	All exchangees are given free membership for 2 years after their trip.
	30-50	X	
	50-65	X	
	>65		
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?		England/Wales committee meetings	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?		New projects: YFA (UK IFYE) Reunion to be hosted by England in October 2017	

What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	Personal contact				
Current Exchanges					
Which countries does your organisation have links with?	Australia Austria Canada Germany New Zealand Northern Ireland Norway	Scotland Switzerland USA Rural Youth Europe (Rally) Spring and Autumn Seminars in various European countries Volunteering trips - Africa and Argentina 2017			
Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?	No				
How long are your exchange trips?	Shortest? 1 week (European Rally & Seminars) Longest? 3 months (New Zealand)				
When are applications made and exchanges awarded?	Applications open September and close mid November. Exchanges are awarded at the selection day in early December for travel the following year.				
How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
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Have you made any recent contacts or exchanges with a new country? Where?					
If so, how successful was it?					
Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?					
<i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i> 	Personal contact Monetary award				

Your IFYE organisation		
Country	Estonia	
Approx. number of registered members		
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	We don't have a system yet, but we are trying to do this year.	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	
	30-50	X
	50-65	X
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	European IFYE Conference ☺	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	European IFYE conference ☺ and if I read feedback from Facebook and e-mails, it seems that we made very good conference. ☺	
What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	We use partners from other agricultural organisations.	

Current Exchanges

<p>Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)</p>	Incoming		Outgoing		
	Austria Switzerland Northern Ireland (first time)		Austria (6 weeks) - 2 USA /Kansas (3 months) - 2 USA/Virgina (1 month) - 1 Switzerland (3 month) - 1		
<p>Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?</p>	This year we have 6 outgoing!!!! Because I have used partner organisations to advertise IFYE programme.				
<p>When are applications made and exchanges awarded?</p>	October / November				
<p>How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)</p>	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
<p>Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?</p>	Northern Ireland (first time) and Germany we are warming up again.				
<p>If so, how successful was it?</p>	We have 1 IFYE from NI coming.				
<p>Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?</p>	Yes, don't ask which one. I would like to send Estonian IFYEs all over the world.				
<p><i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i></p> 	If the membership fee would be smaller.				

Your IFYE organisation		
Country	Finland	
Approx. number of registered members	80	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	16e/year for members and 32e for supporting organisations.	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	
	30-50	X
	50-65	X
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	We had two meetings on the fall 2016 for members. First was a one night stay over in a small summer cottage village, 25 people were present. Second was a theatre and dinner stay over in a town, 22 members visited. In the spring 2017 we had annual meetings with 13 members.	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	The stay in the summer cottage. Timing was good, lots of people were able to come and it was warm enough to be outside. People were really interacting and making new friends. We also shared out most memorable IFYE moments by the campfire.	
What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	Yet to be found; we would be happy to have more younger members.	
Current Exchanges		
Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)	Incoming	Outgoing
	Austria Switzerland Germany Wales Scotland	Austria Switzerland Germany Northern Ireland Scotland

	<p>USA Canada Jamaica</p> <p>Taiwan Vietnam South Korea</p>	<p>Latvia Estonia Karelia (Russia)</p> <p>USA Canada Jamaica</p> <p>Taiwan South Korea</p>			
Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?	We are the alumni organisation, Finnish 4H federation does the exchange organising.				
When are applications made and exchanges awarded?	Applications made by the end of November. Exchanges awarded on February-ish.				
How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
	X				
Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?	No				
If so, how successful was it?	-				
Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?	-				
<p><i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i></p> 	<p>Different kind of programme in each event: culture, nature, food, visits, etc.</p> <p>Maybe an international reunion with other Nordic/Baltic IFYE alumni organisations.</p>				

Your IFYE organisation		
Country	Northern Ireland	
Approx. number of registered members	Approx. 200	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	First year free £5 per year	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	
	30-50	X
	50-65	X
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	Family picnic at the beach Hosted UK YFA reunion in October Annual dinner in February AGM and talk from a cider producer	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	The UK reunion involved a lot of local members in the organisation and delivery of the weekend. We welcomed over 150 people to Cookstown and organised entertainment and trips for 3 days. There were jobs for all ages and some members came to celebrate anniversaries or just for the formal dinner.	
What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	Over the last few years a lot of younger members have started to attend the UK reunion. We hope that we can encourage them to make the next step and come to the European reunion next.	

Current Exchanges

<p>Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)</p>	Incoming		Outgoing		
<p>Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?</p>	<p>In theory we have links with Norway, Sweden, Finland, Austria, Germany, Switzerland, USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand and the length has become negotiable over recent years. E.g. Australia used to be 6 months but now can be much shorter. The European visits used to be 4-12 weeks but have also become much shorter.</p> <p>Each year is different. The English speaking or further away places are usually popular. In 2016 only Canada, USA and Australia were filled.</p>				
<p>When are applications made and exchanges awarded?</p>	<p>October / November</p>				
<p>How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)</p>	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
<p>Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?</p>	<p>X</p> <p>In 2017 a new contact is being made with Estonia.</p>				
<p>If so, how successful was it?</p>					
<p>Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?</p>					
<p><i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i></p> 	<p>Word of mouth and perhaps more information about the monetary incentives such as the rebate system.</p>				

Your IFYE organisation		
Country	Norway	
Approx. number of registered members	83 (as of 01 April 2017)	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	300 NOK membership fee to 4H Norway, the alumni club get 40% of this Outgoings get free membership in the year they travel.	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	Mainly national activity
	30-50	Both national and international activity
	50-65	Mainly international activity
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	February: Debrief for last summers outgoings, and orientation for next summers outgoings. June: Incoming weekend July: Advertise the IFYE-program at open day on national 4H camp September: Fall reunion and annual meeting 4 board meetings in 2016 4 "IFYE cafès" in 2016 (casual meetings between minimum 3 members, we require a picture to our Newsletter/Year book)	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	The Fall reunion, and the Friday night dinner under the incoming orientation used to be our most successful events. However the last year has our IFYE cafès have got better attendance and more people have hosted/organised.	
What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	Old IFYE's talking about their experiences. And also sending one-to-one messages to people we think would enjoy travelling	

Current Exchanges

Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)	Incoming		Outgoing		
	Taiwan: 1 for 3 months		Taiwan: 1 for 7 weeks.		
	Switzerland: 1 for 3 months		Jamaica 2 for 3 months		
	Austria: 1 for 8 weeks		IFYE USA: 1 for 10 weeks. 1 was planed for 6 months, but didn't get visa,		
	England/Wales: 1 for 5 weeks		Colorado 1 for 7 weeks.		
			Scotland 1 for 6 weeks.		
	We had very few incoming in 2016. This is mainly because there were of some major changes in the administration of the IFYE-program.		Northern Ireland 1 for 3 weeks		
			Switzerland 1 for 4 weeks 1 for 7 weeks		
Austria 1 for 3 weeks					
Didn't send to in 2016 Germany, England/Wales and Australia/Tasmania.					
Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?	Varies a lot from year to year.				
When are applications made and exchanges awarded?	Application are due November 15, but late applications will be considered secondarily Exchanges are awarded late December or early January Left over spots will be awarded continuously				
How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
			Applications and all official contact with other countries is done by 4H.		

			<p>The IFYE alumni association is responsible for all the practical work regarding the outgoing orientation/debrief and the incoming weekend. And we do the follow up during the exchanges.</p>		
<p>Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?</p>	<p>We tried to have an exchange with Jamaica in 2015 and 2016</p>				
<p>If so, how successful was it?</p>	<p>This has been cancelled due to both administrative difficulties and various experiences among the outgoing</p>				
<p>Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?</p>	<p>We are hoping to start up again with Costa Rica in 2017 (last exchanges in 2013)</p> <p>We doesn't we have any current plans besides that</p>				
<p><i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i></p> 	<p>Telling stories about all the fun we're doing.</p> <p>Have the impression that many members consider going. The problem however is how to make it fit into their current life and summer schedule. They don't manage to prioritize both time and money into attending</p>				

Your IFYE organisation		
Country	Switzerland	
Approx. number of registered members	700	
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members	25.- annual membership fee. Members of the board (approx.. 15 members) don't have to pay the memberfee.	
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	x
	30-50	x
	50-65	
	>65	
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?	Yankee Christmas Trader Party Bernese Fondue-Meeting General Assembly Scandinavian Meeting American Barbecue night Summer Hiking weekend (with the Incoming IFYEs) Welcome-Back-Burger Dinner for Outgoings Outgoing-Preparation Weekend Incoming-Preparation Weekend Summer Party day (during Incoming Weekend) for all the host families	
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?	American Night BBQ, Yankee Christmas Trader Party, General Assembly (with evening/next day program)	

<p>What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?</p>	<p>The Welcome-back Burger Dinner for Outgoings - that way they get to know each other again & the board gets to interest them in further activities → Yankee Trader Party is also a great success, and the American Night BBQ.</p>				
<p>Current Exchanges</p>					
<p>Which countries does your organisation have links with? (Please list the countries and the length of each exchange)</p>	<p>Incoming</p>		<p>Outgoing</p>		
	<p>technically the same as in the same column, but usually we only have: Korea 2 months Taiwan 2 months USA 3 months Norway 3 Months Finland 3months Estonia 3 months sometimes England 3 weeks</p>		<p>Taiwan (2months) South Korea (2Months) Costa Rica (3 Months) USA (3 or 6 Months) Canada (3 months) Norway - 3 months Finland - 3 months Denmark - 3 Months Estonia - 3 months England - 3 weeks Scotland - 3 weeks Northern Ireland - 3 weeks Republic of Ireland - 2 months Austria - 6 weeks Tasmania - 3 months every other year</p>		
<p>Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?</p>	<p>Austria - there seems to be little interest in visiting a neighboring country with the same language. UK sometimes, as the exchanges are only very short.</p>				
<p>When are applications made and exchanges awarded?</p>	<p>Applications are due on December 15, places are distributed on January 15 (ca.), and free spots are filled up later than that.</p>				
<p>How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)</p>	<p>1 None</p>	<p>2 A little</p>	<p>3 Some</p>	<p>4 A lot</p>	<p>5 Total</p>
					<p>x</p>
<p>Have you made any recent contacts or had exchanges with a new country? Where?</p>	<p>We have had our first exchanges with Denmark and the Republic of Ireland</p>				

<p>If so, how successful was it?</p>	<p>Very successful - more exchanges to happen.</p>
<p>Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?</p>	<p>If anyone has other ties to South America (other than Costa Rica), that'd be interesting. India, possibly.</p>
<p><i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i></p> 	<p>We don't really have that problem 😊 Since we're a bunch of young people that advertise the conference with pictures and stories, there are always newcomers. I think it helps if you make it known that there are A LOT of young people - otherwise new participants might be scared that it's just an "old-people's party"</p>

	Your IFYE organisation	
Country		Wales
Approx. number of registered members		Please refer to England/Wales Country Report
How much membership do you charge and are there any exceptions? e.g. a free period for new members		10.00 UKP Sterling per year. All exchangees are given free membership for 2 years after their trip.
Which age range would the majority of your most active members be in? i.e. those who attend events (you can tick more than one)	18-30	X
	30-50	X
	50-65	X
	>65	X
What type of meetings or events have you held in the last year?		Presentation of awards to new outgoing exchangees at Royal Welsh Show
Which would you consider your most successful event and why?		

What have you found to be the most successful way to attract new members?	Personal contact				
Current Exchanges					
Which countries does your organisation have links with?	Canada USA Finland Scotland Northern Ireland European Rally Spring and Summer Seminars n- various countries				
Do you find it difficult to fill any of these places? If so, which ones and why do you think this is?	No				
How long are your exchange trips?	Shortest? 1 week (European Rally & Seminars) Longest?				
When are applications made and exchanges awarded?	Applications open September and close end of October. Exchanges are awarded at the selection day in early November for travel the following year.				
How much involvement does your organisation have in the selection process? (tick 1 box)	1 None	2 A little	3 Some	4 A lot	5 Total
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Have you made any recent contacts or exchanges with a new country? Where?	Germany				
If so, how successful was it?	Ongoing				
Are there any countries you would like to develop a link with?					
<i>What do you think might encourage your members to attend the IFYE reunion?</i>	Personal contact Monetary award				